

Forest City and Vicinity

HAPPENINGS OF INTEREST

—Rev. J. J. Cafferky held services at Watson, Wednesday of last week.

—Mrs. C. L. Richardson was visiting her folks, A. O. Swope and family, near Mound City, Wednesday, and spent a few days the latter part of last week with them.

—Mrs. John Bond, of La Pryor, Texas, who has been visiting relatives and friends here went to visit Sedley Bond and family, where she will make an extended visit.

—John Coats, of Gordon, Neb., was here, several days, last week, visiting with relatives and friends.

—John Peters, wife and children came in Friday afternoon from Haxton, Colo., where they had been making a two weeks' visit with their daughter, Mrs. Clifford Andes and family.

—Walter Waggoner, of Camp Funston, came in Sunday, Dec. 29, and was making a visit with his folks, Scott Waggoner and family, on a 7-day furlough. He returned to Camp Friday evening.

—Rev. E. F. Cooley was transacting business in St. Joseph, Wednesday of last week.

—Frank Waggoner was in St. Joseph, Friday, having dental work done.

—Wm. Wood, of Kinsey district, attended the annual meeting of the Farmers Mutual Insurance Company, which was held in Mound City, Friday.

—Will Cooper, of near Craig, was down several days, last week, visiting with relatives here.

—Arthur Webster, who belongs to the U. S. Navy, stationed at Norfolk, West Virginia, returned Saturday, after being here on a 30-days furlough, visiting with his folks, H. W. Webster and family. Arthur took sick while here, and his furlough was extended 10 days.

—Sandy Kunkel, of Kansas City, came up Saturday and was making a visit with his brother, Neal Kunkel and wife.

—We are glad to be able to report that Mrs. Dan Hahn, Jr., is much better, after having had a hard case of the flu.

—Mrs. Medway Hoover and daughter, Miss Gladys, went up to see her sister, Mrs. Wilbur Buntz, and husband, near Mound City, the latter part of last week.

—Mrs. Henry Schaeffer is making an extended visit with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Gool Crow and family, near Bigelow.

—Dr. W. W. Gray, of St. Joseph, came up Saturday night, and was attending to the case of the baby of Jack Dryden, on the W. F. Davis ranch, which was very low with membranous croup. We hope the little sufferer will recover soon.

—Sam'l R. Hulatt spent the day, Sunday, with his sister, Mrs. S. P. Allen. Mr. Allen has been very low with pneumonia, but is better at this writing, we are glad to report.

—Mrs. "Teed" Garner and children have been having a hard tussle with the flu, the past week. We hope for their recovery soon.

—We are all glad to hear that Mrs. Clate Schaeffer is getting much better, after being so sick with the influenza.

—Mrs. A. J. Landers came in Sunday morning from Dexter, Mo., called by the serious sickness and death of her sister, Mrs. John P. Laacy.

—Allen Elder and wife are the proud parents of a new girl, born Monday morning, January 6, 1919.

—Ellis P. Murray, of Camp Funston has received an honorable discharge, and is making a visit with his mother, Mrs. Murray, at Larned, Kansas.

—Medway Hoover went to the Wilbur Buntz home, near Mound City, Sunday, and returned with his family, who have making a few days' visit there.

—Everett Louden returned to his home at Fairfax, Monday, after spending a few days here with his grandparents, E. Brock and family.

—Richard Hoover made a business trip to St. Joseph, Monday.

—Wm. Muse came in Sunday, Dec. 29, with an honorable discharge from "over there" in France, and is at the home of his folks, Lin Muse and family, of Union district. While here in our city he left a bunch of all the Allies' flags, which can be seen at the R. R. Hoover restaurant.

—Harry Williams, who has been at Vancouver, Washington, in the government service, received an honorable discharge, and returned to his home here, Tuesday of last week.

—Louie Hledsoe left Friday evening for Fort Laramie, Wyoming, where he will spend this year with relatives there.

—Mrs. C. E. Noland received a letter, Thursday, from her son, Bert Noland, who is in our Navy, and has been over in Europe. He has arrived safe on this side and is now at Norfolk, Virginia.

—Ed Cromer and family, who live in the Monticello district, are having a hard time with sickness. Their little four-year-old daughter is very low with double pneumonia. We hope they will all recover soon.

—Ezra Martin, of the Monticello district, shipped a car load of cattle to the St. Joseph market, Monday.

—Mr. A. K. Goodnight, of Batesville, Ark., was here, several days this week, looking after his farm.

—The Red Cross will soon have some sewing. A package of refugee garments will be here soon to be made up.

—Mrs. Cad Baker was on our sick list, several days the first of this week.

—Miss Gladys Owens, of Maryville, Mo., is sick and unable to return to her school in this city. Her many friends here hope for her recovery soon.

—The Exodus school commenced Monday morning, after being closed on account of sickness, since Tranksgiving.

—Mrs. Jessie Morrison, son, Benton, Kansas City came up Sunday, and spent a few days with her sister, Mrs. Mollie Galbraith.

—Misses May Bryan and Nora Fields, of Portescue, who have been visiting the latter part of last week at the James Wills home, spent the day, Sunday, with Miss Nora Baker.

—George Frazier was on our sick list several days, the first of this week, but is better now, we are glad to learn.

—Rev. E. F. Cooley made a business trip to St. Joseph, Monday.

—George Frazier was very low Sunday, but is now thought to be recovering.

—Master Bruce Coffman, the little son of S. A. Coffman and wife, has been on our sick list with tonsillitis.

—Chas. Hunt and wife spent the day, Monday, with Ray Comer and family.

—For Sale or Trade—Residence Property in Forest City.

—Mrs. Burl Dawson returned home, Monday, from Westboro, Mo., where she has been making an extended visit with relatives there.

—Mr. and Mrs. John Levelady spent New Year's Day at the home of Sam Mariner, north of Oregon.

—Mr. Wm. Allen, a splendid young man, of Fort Laramie, Wyoming, and Miss Fannie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Sinclair, of Exodus district, went to Oregon, Saturday, January 4, and were united as husband and wife. Their many friends here send them their congratulations.

—Mrs. Ella Wampler received a letter, dated Dec. 12, from her husband, Charles Claude Wampler, with the Supply Company, 139th Infantry, 39th Division, A. E. F., in France. Mr. Wampler says there are so many rumors about that one can't say just when the 39th Division will return to the good old U. S. A., but hopes to be home soon.

—Dwight Meyer and Fred Evans were business visitors in St. Joseph, Tuesday.

—John Lukens, of Oregon, spent Sunday afternoon at the J. T. Scott home.

—Hamp and George Minton, of near Portescue, left Saturday for France, where they will be absent about three months, sight-seeing, etc.

—George Henning has been doing dental work done in Oregon, Monday.

—Mrs. Kate Greiner and son, Harold, returned home, Monday, from the home of Ernest Comer and wife, after spending a few weeks with them.

—Mrs. L. J. Scott visited Monday, with her daughter, Mrs. H. G. Carson and family, at Napier.

—J. M. Shumate sold enough rabbits to buy him a new fur cap. "The rabbits had enough horns to furnish a bill on the cap." Hal Ha!

—Raymond Watson visited over Sunday with his uncle, Will Kirk, near Oregon.

—Mrs. Mary Thornhill returned home, Monday, from St. Joseph, where she had been caring for her new grandson at Archie's home. She reports that mother and baby are getting along fine. Mrs. Thornhill also spent Tuesday with her daughter, Mrs. Chris Gifford and family.

—A. A. Jeffrey went to Maryville, Tuesday evening, in the interest of the Copper publications.

—James Strickler, of Skidmore, returned home, Tuesday evening, from a business visit at the A. J. Pottinger home.

—Joe Cooksey was visiting several days, this week, with relatives in Mound City.

—Mrs. Lee Beaver, of Benton district, came down Tuesday and spent the day with her folks, Geo. Watson and family.

—Roy Stroude and family and Wes, Stroude and wife spent the day, Sunday, with Major Clark and family.

—James Cain, of near New Point, was a business visitor in our city, Tuesday.

—A. J. Goodnight was transacting business in Omaha, a few days the first of this week.

—Rev. J. J. Cafferky went to St. Joseph, Monday, where he saw Walter Fitzmaurice in the Sisters' Hospital. He reports that Walter is improving in health, we are glad to hear.

—Miss Mollie Leach returned to her home in Maitland, Monday evening, after visiting a few days here with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Smith and family.

—There were six cars of hogs and three cars of cattle shipped to the St. Joseph market from our city, the first of this week.

—We are sorry to hear of the death of the little three-year old daughter, Pauline, of Ed Cromer and wife, on Tuesday, at their home in the Banks district, from the effects of the influenza. Burial was made in the Benton cemetery.

—Galen Mills came up from St. Joseph, Saturday evening, and spent the day, Sunday, with his folks, Chas. Mills and family.

—Howard Vandaveer, who belongs to a Transport Company, was here the past week on a ten-day furlough, visiting with his folks, Mr. John Vandaveer and family. Howard returned to his camp at Fort Sheridan, the first of this week.

—The memberships of the renewals and new members of the 1919 Red Cross drive, has amounted to 270 memberships at the present.

—Miss Bernice Bullock was a St. Joseph visitor, Monday.

—The Moving Pictures at the Silver Star Theatre, here, has opened up for Wednesdays and Saturdays.

—Brodbeck Brothers have bought out Mr. Heit, in the automobile repair business, in the Auto Sales Company building, at Oregon. The firm is now called Brodbeck Bros. Auto Repair Shop.

—DOLPHUS.

There will be Sunday School at the Christian Church, next Sunday at 10:00 o'clock. All who are interested make a special effort to have a good attendance; we have had no gatherings of any kind for so long at the church, it will take a little extra effort to get our usual attendance for

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some time. We should have had our new officers for the year installed, but since we have had no Sunday School for so many weeks, we will attend to it next Sunday morning. Will the men's class be there with a full membership? Fifty-three. Look-Out Committee, "Look Out! Men, let's hurry back to the Sunday School before some of us get the 'fishin' habit. Everybody be there with that same old smile, with your song book ready, promptly at 10:00 o'clock. Let's go!

SUPERINTENDENT.
P. S.—Boys and girls, bring your pa's and ma's.

November 9, 1918.
Dear Father and Mother: Just received your most welcome letter of October 15th, and was sure glad to hear from you. It was sure fine for you to see Alice and Robert Donald. It was just what you and Aunt Carrie needed. It makes you feel better if you get out and see things as it takes one's mind off of the every day worries that grind in this odd life we mortals have to live.

My, I just hate it awful bad about Lloyd Flinn's death, and I feel so sorry for Mr. Flinn, as he thought so much of Lloyd. It's sure a shame. I would write Mr. Flinn a letter and state my sympathy but it would only make him think of Lloyd that much more, so I won't write him at all. If you see him though, "tell him that there is no one more saddened than I, and that there was never anything that shocked me so much as when I heard that. Poor, poor boy. There was a real, real really a good boy. I can say truly and honestly.

It has everlastingly been raining for the last two weeks, but today it is a lovely nice sunny day and every one seems happy. By several letters which I received from different persons in the States, they are having a great deal of flu now. One little girl from Philadelphia, wrote that they couldn't make coffee, fast enough in places, that they had to bury them in common wood boxes.

Had quite an interesting talk with a pretty girl with a French lady in a hotel. At first could not understand very good, but she procured an Anglo-French dictionary, and by so doing made it very plain to speak to each other. She was a dandy type of French womanhood and was of a very good class, well educated and sociable, thus making it interesting to converse with. From the view from the top of the hill, I could see many miles around and in my walk from Pouilly to camp I could see many types of the French people. There were many people out walking for a pastime. Saw a little French girl talking to three American sailors trying to get them to understand some of the language. In advancing up the front of a large dwelling place with small bushy trees, vines and flowers in front, and enclosed with iron bars, an American Darky gazing about in amazement as though all was an unreality. It was a warm day, and once in a while the hum of a bee could be heard very plainly, as it was very still, and just such a day as you see in the middle of spring in the States. I was just about to pass on by the old fellow, when he began to grin and made a remark something like this: "Dis wom day made me feel like I want to be back home w-a-y down south." He was just a little lonesome, I think. Any way I stopped and talked with him awhile. Was a fine old darky, all right. O, you meet all kinds of people over here, and all kinds of experien-

ces. Had a very interesting talk with a Spanish lady, too. She was on her way to church and had a bouquet of flowers in her hand and the fragrance of them made me think of the tall red and pink flowers which used to grow down on the old levee on the bottom. We have been having a great deal of boxing of late, and have been able to see some of the best boxing I ever witnessed. I saw an American sailor whip the heavy-weight champion of Europe last week. This week I saw a light-weight, of St. Louis, whip a heavy-weight from the Pacific coast. I also saw an American marine whip a champion from Holland. He did it in good clean fashion, too.

My officer was sick in a hotel, in a chateau at Pauillac, last week and left me in charge of affairs for a while and, believe me, I sure had my hands full for a time, too. I went up to see him Sunday. Got a special pass to get out the gates. After spending the best part of the afternoon with him, I proceeded with two soldiers to Pauillac. Went into the Y. M. C. A. and rested awhile. After a spell a motorcycle driver came up and wanted to know if I wanted to ride? Well, we sure did ride, believe me, and some fun, you bet. We visited several of my friends around at different places. Met an American Y. M. C. A. worker, a former student of Vassar College. She was sure a nice young girl, believe me, and it seemed so good to talk with a real American girl once more. On our way back, saw the French Red Cross building of Gironde district was sure a nice looking structure. On one cross road there was a Crucifix with Christ hanging upon it and the statues of Mary and Joseph at the foot of it. There were vines and small shrubs around it. To see Crucifixes at cross roads or up in the middle of some grape field is no uncommon thing over here. This was probably about 20 feet high, and showed in a very impressive way, the artistic nature of the French people.

As I drew near camp I came by a new route, which I had never traveled before. There were narrow winding paths, lined on both sides with blackberry and raspberry vines with a cluster of wild bushes now and then. As it was late in the day, long shadows of the tall trees overshadowed the broken trails here and there and made me feel like I was blessed once more with the lonesome solitude of nature, which my whole body and soul always loves. As I neared the Trompeau station, I met an American officer with a nice French lady who were just returning to the station to return home. A small lad attracted my attention near the station door and I had a very interesting talk with him.

Some of the boat's crew just came in from a Japanese ship, with some souvenirs, consisting of chop sticks, shoes, etc. The Japs are very good fellows, and some of them can understand the American language good. An Englishman just stopped off here this morning and had a South Sea hat with him. He was on his way to some of the Southern parts of Africa, I think.

We are getting up a collection among the sailors today, for erecting a memorial in the Pauillac cemetery, in honor of the soldiers and sailors who have died since the war. The first man who gave his life for the country is said to be buried here. That is mighty nice of the men of this station to think of them that way, I think.

Well, I suppose you are wondering again why I haven't written you for some time. The reason is that I have not had very much time here of late.

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Received a letter from one of the boys from Kansas City who used to state that the country was very bad here with me who at the present badly cut up where he was, and that the roads were so rough that he couldn't hardly ride his motorcycle. His people live in Kansas City and the connected in some way with The Star.

Well, father and mother, dears, we will be a long ways apart this Christmas, but our hearts will be together, any way, so don't worry. We want to stop and think that day, that we are still remembering the sufferings and sacrifices of our Lord, and we must also stop and remember the great sacrifices that many of our dear comrades who have fallen in the fight for the same cause that our Master did. American people at times don't realize what a country they have. My! they don't realize the richness, modern ways of living, including morality, character and Christianization our country constitutes. There are no one who appreciates or who ever will appreciate good old America—as we who are over here now, or those who have already returned.

Next year we will be together, though, enjoy ourselves, feel more free and contented, and know deep down in our hearts that our country once more stood up for the right and won a victory for the betterment of the whole world. Even on our money it says, "In God We Trust." That goes to show where the real soul of America is. No other nation shows such significance.

Well, I will have to close for this time, and hoping to hear from you soon, I remain, lovingly,

Your Son,
CHAS. WILLARD HAHN.
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This is a letter written to Dan Hahn, Sr., and wife, from their son, Willard, in France, in the naval forces of the U. S.

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LESSON FOR JANUARY 12

MOSES THE DELIVERER OF ISRAEL.

LESSON TEXT—Exodus 3:1-12.
GOLDEN TEXT—And Moses verily was faithful in all his house. Hebrews 3:1.
ADDITIONAL MATERIAL—Exodus 3:13-15; Acts 7:35.

While the oppression of God's people was heading up, in the providence of God a deliverer was being prepared to take up the task at the opportune hour. Moses was first trained at his mother's knee, then in Pharaoh's court and finally under God's immediate hand in the desert. The latter was an indispensable part of his training. His learning in the wisdom of the Egyptians was helpful, but without the immediate tutelage of God he would have been a failure. All who are used of God must spend some time in the retirement of his presence. Two notable examples are Paul in Arabia and John on Patmos.

I. The Lord Speaks to Moses in the Burning Bush (Ex. 3:1-6).

It was while keeping the flock of his father-in-law in the desert that the Lord appeared to Moses. Had he remained in Pharaoh's palace he never could have had the vision of the burning bush. This bush enveloped in flames, yet unconsumed, symbolized the people of God enslaved in the very fire of God, or God dwelling in the midst of an elect people. Moses steps aside to behold this strange sight, but must be taught the essential lesson of the proper approach to God. We now can approach God with boldness through Jesus Christ (Hebrews 4:14). Our God is a consuming fire. No evil can be permitted in his presence (Joshua 7; Acts 5). The Lord did not leave him long in suspense. He told him he was the God of his fathers, the covenant God. As soon as he knew it was God who was speaking to him he hid his face. The sight of God always causes sinful men to hide (Isaiah 6:5).

II. Moses Commissioned as the Deliverer of His People (3:7-10).

In the preamble of this commission God said to Moses: "I have seen the affliction of my people." This is always true (Psalm 22:24; 34:6; Isaiah 63:9). "I have heard their cry." Not a cry ever goes up from a child of God unheard by him. "I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians." This shows that God is actively interested in the cause of his people. He graciously obligates himself: (1) To deliver them out of the hands of the Egyptians, Egypt may be considered a type of the world; the oppression, a type of sin's bondage; and Pharaoh, a type of the devil. God delivers his own from the hands of the devil (Colossians 1:13). (2) To bring them up out of the land of God does not deliver and leave his own in the enemy's hand, but brings them out into a land "flowing with milk and honey." (3) To bring them into a "good land and large." There is no loss in obeying God. When he brings us out of the enemy's land he brings us into a better land.

III. Moses' Objections Patiently Heard and Removed (3:11; 4:10).

1. Personal Unworthiness (v. 11). He realized his insufficiency for this task. His forty years in the school of God have wrought a great change in him. His hesitancy is a good sign. Men who are really qualified to do a great work are not forward to begin it; e. g., Jeremiah, Martin Luther, George Washington. Moses did not refuse to go, but pled his difficulty before the Lord. God answered this difficulty by assuring him that he would be with him. When God is with a man the impossible becomes the possible.

2. The Difficulty of the People to Understand Moses' Relationship to God (3:13, 14). Moses knew how unwilling they were to acknowledge him as their deliverer forty years before. Since God changes his name as he assumes a new relationship to his people, Moses inquired as to what that new relationship would be, and his corresponding name. The Lord promptly met this difficulty by showing him a name differing in many respects from all others previously given. This new name is "I Am." This name is from the Hebrew verb "to be." It indicates (1) God's self-existence; (2) his self-sufficiency; (3) his unchangeableness.

3. Unbelief on the Part of the People (4:1). This difficulty the Lord met by supplying him with credentials which could not be gainsaid. He was given the power to perform supernatural wonders (4:2).

4. Lack of Eloquence (4:10). This difficulty the Lord met by providing an assistant in his brother Aaron.

Our Sadness.
We ask God to forgive us for our evil thoughts and evil temper, but rarely, if ever, ask him to forgive us for our sadness. Joy is regarded as a happy accident of the Christian life, an ornament and a luxury rather than a duty.—R. W. Dale.

The Human Heart.
The human heart is so constituted that it is only filled by the richness which flows from it—not by the richness which flows into it.—Agnes Edwards.